GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA

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POLLUTING TANNERIES
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether lethal tannery waste is being directly discharged by the Tanneries into surrounding water bodies in the country;

(b) if so, the number of such polluting tanneries which have not installed Chrome Recovery Plants (CRPs) and Effluent Treatment Plants (ETPs) so far, State-wise; and

(c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government for making it mandatory for the Tanneries to install CRPs and ETPs?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI BABU LAL MARANDI)

(a)&(b): Out of a total of 92 identified tanneries discharging their effluents into water bodies, five units have not so far provided pollution control devices. The State-wise break-up of such tanneries is as follows:-

State	ETP provided	Closed	Defaulting
Andhra Pradesh	8	3	5
Haryana	2	1	0
Kerala	2	0	0
Punjab	1	0	0
Tamil Nadu	4	7	0
Uttar Pradesh	43	16	0
	60	27	5

(c) The Government have advised the State Pollution Control Boards to ensure that Chrome Recovery Plants and Effluent Treatment Plants are provided by the tanneries.